

## COLCHESTER'S TOWN REPORT

Liabilities of \$54,337.29 and Assets of \$16,951.47 Stated.

Tax of 80 Cents Recommended to Defray Estimated Expenses of \$14,436.40 the Coming Year and Pay a Part of Debt.

The 40th annual report of the selectmen and other officers of the town of Colchester made its annual appearance in Winoski Friday afternoon. The town school district directors' report is not included owing to the change in the school year which now ends in June. The caucus will probably be held about the latter part of next week. The annual election will take place in Concord hall, Winoski block, Tuesday, March 5, the polls opening at nine o'clock in the morning.

The town debt to be provided for by tax is \$37,385.82 as compared with \$34,728.48 at the first of February a year ago. The report of the town auditors gives the overseer of the poor's accounts as follows: Property on hand as per inventory February 1, 1911, \$2,949.39; orders drawn to January 1, 1912, \$5,579.39. This with the overseer's salary and the interest on the U. S. deposit fund invested in the farm brings the total to \$9,712.29. The credits show the amount on hand January 1, 1912, as per inventory, was \$2,335.59; cash paid to, treasurer, \$738.69; total credits, \$3,074.28; cost of poor department, \$5,869.01, a saving over last year of \$1,186.08. The amount of orders left unpaid totals \$5,738.57 as against \$3,237.67 last year.

The selectmen's orders drawn on the treasurer this year were \$12,102.27 and the amount of orders remaining unpaid \$3,700.90; last year orders drawn amounted to \$11,763.88 and orders left unpaid were \$3,567.18. By these figures it will be noticed that the orders drawn this year amounted to \$232.39 more and the orders remaining unpaid this year exceed the amount of last year by \$1,927.14.

**RECOMMEND 80-CENT TAX.**  
The road commissioner expended this year \$3,333.41, as compared with \$2,949.39 unpaid amount to \$45.90; expense of this department last year \$2,091.55, and but \$16 remaining unpaid through orders outstanding.

Dog licenses this year netted the town \$263.10, which is \$10.69 less than last year; number licensed this year, 293; last year, 288. The United States deposited fund amounts to \$10,436.40.

The treasurer's account shows the cash on hand February 13, 1912, was \$6,531.54; receipts from all sources, \$2,779.71; total, \$33,211.25. Orders paid to January, 1912, amounted to \$25,700.86, leaving a cash balance of \$7,510.39. The receipts of the town for the year ending January 25, 1912, were \$1,954.35 more than the year ending January, 1911, but the orders paid for the year ending January, 1912, were less by \$761.34 than the amount paid during the year ending February 13, 1912.

The liabilities of the town amount to \$54,337.29. The assets are \$16,951.47 including delinquent taxes in the hands of collectors amounting to \$2,688.07, and dating back to 1911. The estimates are as follows: For town officers, \$2,000; for health department, \$800; for town poor, \$6,000; for miscellaneous, \$5,000; for five per cent. on U. S. deposit fund, \$261.60; for county tax, \$115.75; total, \$14,436.40. To meet these estimates a tax of 80 cents on the dollar of the grand list is necessary. The tax recommended is 80 cents on the dollar, 10 cents to be used to pay part of the town debt.

## COURT, HEALTH, SCHOOLS.

The Winoski municipal court for the year ending January 25, 1912, had 54 prosecutions in which the town was liable for the costs of prosecution. Ten of the 54 respondents were discharged and the fines and costs of 39 cases amounted to \$328.88. In 11 cases the respondents were committed and in three the fines and costs are in process of collection. Costs amounting to \$223.11 have been drawn from the treasury and have been paid to the persons entitled thereto. The prosecutions were divided among the following offenses: Branch of the peace, 40; trespassing, 2; non-support, 5; petit larceny, 7.

Health Officer J. G. Thibault, M. D., reports that there were in the town the past year 30 cases of measles, nine of whooping cough, one of scarlatina, 12 of diphtheria, five of typhoid fever, three of chickenpox and eight of smallpox. The doctor claims the general health of the town to be good. There has not been much severe illness. The strict quarantine during the smallpox cases prevented the disease from spreading. The water supply has been tested and found to be excellent. Dr. Thibault recommends changes in the sewer system as it is not extensive enough in some parts of the village. Inspection of the meat markets and slaughter houses show them to be in good condition.

The schools have all been examined, and the district schools especially are not what they should be. They lack proper light and ventilation, and are without any conveniences whatever.

## THEY COME TOGETHER

Backache and Kidney Ache Are Usually Inseparable. Some Burlington People Are Learning How to Get Rid of Both.

Does your back ever ache? Feel lame, weak—so sore you can hardly work? Are you making the common mistake—Waiting for it to pass away? To cure the backache, you must cure the kidneys.

The pain may cease, but is sure to return. You may feel tired and worn-out all the time. Urinary troubles may annoy you, headaches and dizziness. Make up your mind your kidneys need attention. Begin taking Doan's Kidney Pills at once.

Doan's have strengthened thousands of sick, weakened kidneys. Have driven out kidney backaches for good.

Burlington reader can doubt the following statement. It's from a resident of this locality. A. L. Warner, 415 St. Paul St., Burlington, Vt., says: "Some years ago I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they so greatly benefited me that I gave a public statement recommending them. I still use Doan's Kidney Pills and always find them very effective. I can still recommend Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-McMillan Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agent for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

## The Army of Constipation

Is Growing Smaller Every Day.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are impossible—they not only give relief—they permanently cure Constipation.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine number Signature.

## AUDITORS SUBMIT REPORT

Departments Generally Have Kept within Appropriations.

Summary Shows Where the Money Went during the Year—Street Department Bookkeeping Gets the Usual Scoring.

Mayor Roberts has received from the auditors, Rose & Hubbard of New York, the report of the city's finances for the year ending December 31, 1911. The departments generally are shown in the report to have kept within their appropriations, and the expenses of the city have been kept down. The books of the treasurer's department are shown by the auditors to be in good order and the report says of the water department: "This department during the year made a profit of \$17,181.55, out of which it expended on betterments \$1,571.19 and transferred to the sinking fund \$2,677.29, leaving a surplus of \$12,933.07 for the year of \$16,457.55. We would mention that the books as usual have been neatly and accurately kept."

## ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT.

In the report considerable space is given to the electric light department. The cash receipts and payments were found to be in good order. During the year the department made a net profit before providing for depreciation of \$6,953.43, as against \$15,593.57 in 1910. The reports call attention to the fact that the Burlington Light & Power company, and New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. have claims of about \$1,500 against the city. A communication from Dr. W. S. Vincent, chairman of the electric light commissioners, calls the auditors' attention to the fact that an ordinance provides that the net gain of every pole erected in the city shall be reserved for the use of the city. The auditors suggest that the earnings of the department be not distributed until the legality of this ordinance is decided.

The department has charged for depreciation \$1,714.62, being three per cent. upon the capital investment which leaves a net profit for the year of \$1,238.81, assuming that the claims above alluded to are invalid. The total reserve for depreciation now amounts to \$33,854.41, which is equivalent to nearly twenty-two per cent. of the cost of the entire plant. The auditors refer to some extent to the matter of depreciation in connection with the plant, and reiterate that it will be to the city's advantage to obtain the opinion of an expert engineer untrammelled by local conditions.

## STREET DEPARTMENT.

In regard to the street department the auditors say: "We regret to say that the books of this department have not been written up since January, 1911, and the statement which we attach hereto has been compiled from data obtained from the treasurer's department."

## PAUPER DEPARTMENT.

"We compared all payments with vouchers and found the same to be in order, and as far as possible verified the receipts. On December 31, 1911, \$156.08, had not been turned over to the city treasurer at this date, although it was subsequently deposited. The treasurer's statement, therefore, will not agree with the department by this amount."

## SCHOOL, CEMETERIES, AND CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENTS.

"All payments from these departments were compared with vouchers and found to be in order, and the receipts as far as possible verified."

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

The total assets of the city are found according to the report to be \$1,043,327.74, divided as follows:

Real estate	\$ 857,955.00
Investments	89,067.13
Accounts receivable	45,153.43
Cash	1,700.69
General fund	25,142.52
Total	\$1,043,327.74

The total liabilities are classified as follows:

Bonds and notes	\$ 515,100.00
Funds	145,672.02
Accounts payable	15,996.72
Total	\$ 676,768.74

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

A summary of the city treasurer's cash receipts and payments for the year ending December 31, 1911, showing the city's income and how the money was paid out is as follows:

State tax	\$ 2,908.58
County tax	794.98
Hydrant tax	1,040.00
Dog licenses	321.16
Liquor licenses	17,350.00
Water department	46,920.24
Electric light department	2,183.94
Street	6,624.11
Sewers	6,529.99
School	84,750.01
Criminal and police	15,552.02
Pauper	15,552.02
Fire	35,643.36
Public parks	3,107.68
Public buildings	1,700.69
Health	5,558.18
Temporary loans	100,000.00
Cemetery	900.00
Interest, general	46,229.14
Trust funds, interest	45.00
Fire station 5	5,132.74
Champlain road	742.78
Depot street	32.19
Rolling railroad bonds	50,000.00
Firemen's benefit	195.18
Band concerts	1,900.00
Fletcher library	4,872.43
Salaries	4,400.00
Street lights	16,758.22
Incidentals	8,156.64
Bond issue expense	15.00
U. S. House	42.40
Interest	29.00
Leased lands rental	67.27
General fund	278.00
Total	\$611,123.30

Bal. Dec. 31st, 1911, 6,963.26

\$618,086.56

## RECEIPTS.

Total taxes	\$266,775.31
Street assessments	6,076.21
General, dog and liquor licenses	19,761.19
Water department	54,959.76
Electric light department	47,635.32
Street department	3,523.14
School department	3,550.15
Criminal and police	2,152.90
Pauper department	156.06
Fire department	1,965.00
Public parks	42.40
Public buildings	118.55
Health department	1.00
Library department	11.00
Loans department	120,500.00

Interest	16,571.60
Rentals	53,939.39
Miscellaneous	3,150.67
Total receipts	\$224,741.74
Bal. Jan. 1, 1911	8,801.74
Total	\$233,543.48

## ELECTION FORECASTS.

Only Two of Six Aldermen Likely to Be Re-elected.

With the city election but little more than two weeks off, the political forecasts have begun. Here and there about the city little "near rallies" are beginning and discussion is rife in many a back kitchen concerning aldermanic possibilities, etc.

The third ward situation is one that promises the most sensation. It is claimed that the aldermanic candidate in this ward has already been slated and that Eugene Gosselin, whose term on the board expires in June, is being backed by Arsenius Boucher. A little re-togetherness meeting was held up in the third ward a few nights ago. The third ward voters select their candidates early and then go in for a strenuous campaign. At this meeting, so the story goes, it was ordained that Gosselin should give place to Boucher and if reports be true, the latter is reasonably sure of good support. C. P. Dion also of this ward and president of the board of aldermen holds over another year.

The second ward as usual can be sized up with its customary certainty. When A. H. Duhamel was elected to fill out the unexpired term of the late M. L. Sanborn as alderman from this ward the voters knew they had made a good choice and there seems to be no doubt but what Mr. Duhamel will be returned to the board for a full term of two years without opposition. In fact no candidate will be named in opposition to Mr. Duhamel, it is said.

Albert S. Drew of the fifth ward will be returned for another two years according to all reports, but John W. O'Neill, whose term as alderman from the sixth ward expires, says he will not be a candidate again at the coming election. M. E. Sullivan's term on the board expires this year and bids are chirping about the ward four years that Mr. Sullivan will not sit at the board table next year.

In the first ward there is some uncertainty over the situation. It is understood that Oscar W. Edwards will not come up for re-election in this ward. The candidate to succeed him has been picked. It is said, but the time is not ripe to announce his name.

Two school commissioners will be elected this year. In the second ward it is said that A. E. King will be re-elected for another term without opposition. Whether Frank J. Dwyer, the present commissioner from the fourth ward, will be re-elected cannot be decided with certainty. Mr. Dwyer does not know whether or he will be a candidate.

## STOVE FRONT BLOWN OUT.

Frozen Water Pipes Caused Damage at Home of Myer Hirschberg.

Frozen water pipes were the cause of a bad explosion Sunday morning at the home of Myer Hirschberg at 28 Drew street, when the entire front of a kitchen range was blown out and other damage done. The accident happened about ten o'clock and that no one was injured is due to the fact that the members of the family were in the front part of the house at the time. The stove had been without a fire during the preceding night and by the time the fire was lighted Sunday morning the water in the pipes which ran through the stove to the hot water boiler had frozen. Consequently when the water heated it had no room in which to expand and the explosion followed.

The griddles from the top went to the ceiling of the room and other parts of the stove were blown through a door which leads into the dining room. From the appearance of the place where the blow struck it was evident that any one who was in the kitchen at the time would have been blown with sufficient force to seriously injure if not kill any person who might have been in the way. The stove was scattered about the floor and a still alarm was sent into station one and trucks from there and station two responded, but the services of a hand extinguisher were sufficient to quench the fire. The accident is one which can easily happen and before lighting a fire in a stove with such a heating apparatus the water pipes should be tested to see if they are frozen.

## A WARNING AGAINST WET FEET.

Wet and chilled feet usually affect the mucous membrane of the nose, throat and lungs, and in this climate, bronchitis or pneumonia may develop. Watch carefully, particularly the children, and for the racking, stubborn coughs give Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It soothes the inflamed membranes, and heals the coughs quickly. Take no substitute. J. W. O'Sullivan, 24 Church St.

## ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of unclaimed letters in the Burlington postoffice for the week ending February 10, 1912:

## WOMEN'S LIST.

Finrence Bessette, Mrs. Carrie Mrs. W. B. Crocker, Mrs. Annie Forbie, Irene Genes, Mrs. George Grant, Miss Abbie Graves, Mrs. H. H. Thibault, Mrs. Abbie Graves, Mrs. F. Martelle, Mrs. Alexander Maynard, Miss Morgan, Mabel Neff, Mrs. Agnes Provost, Miss Flora Quimby, Mrs. Georgia Smith, Miss Effie I. Webster, Mabel Weeks, Mrs. Henry Greenwood, Mrs. E. L. Towne.

## MEN'S LIST.

W. J. Atkinson, William Collins, Cramer & Rogers Gas Co., Joseph Desloger, Charles Elliott, J. W. Ford, E. A. Foster, Capt. Henry Gilman, Theodore Gilbert, John A. Hallinan, Robert Harris, Frank How, Martin Horton, Torkoff Khoury, William Lovely, Thomas A. Mahan, William Moore, Fred Miller, Eugene Plamondon, Mrs. P. A. Potvin, K. C. Russell, C. Sorenson, W. Valentine, H. A. Wolcott, Paul Washburn, Dr. Wilson, Donald A. Wright.

Parcels for L. G. Pierce and Miss Anna K. Harne.

## WINOSKI LIST.

Miss A. Chulte, George Codol, James Craven, Miss Drury, Wladyslaw Golubinski, Mrs. Lydia Forsette, John A. Hannan, Albert Lebeau, Lucy Thayer, Joseph Rinfret, Nicotro Ruazo, R. A. Warner.

## HOW COLD AFFECTS THE KIDNEYS.

Avoid taking cold if your kidneys are sensitive. Cold congests the kidneys, throws too much work upon them, and weakens their action. Serious kidney trouble and even Bright's disease may result. Strengthen your kidneys, get rid of the pain and soreness, build them up by the timely use of Foley's Kidney Pills. Tonic in action, quick in results. J. W. O'Sullivan, 24 Church St.

## FARMERS' WEEK FEB. 19-23

Fourth Annual Course of Lectures at the University.

Thirty Speakers Will Give Addresses and Demonstrations to the Number of Seventy during the Five Days—Everything Free.

The fourth annual farmers' week will be held at the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College as usual during Washington's birthday week. The university and the State commissioner of agriculture co-operate in this enterprise as in past years. The sessions begin Monday afternoon, February 19, and close Friday afternoon, February 23. Addresses and demonstrations—some 70 in number—will be in progress morning, afternoon and evening. About 30 different parties—officials of the United States department of agriculture, agricultural college professors, farmers' institute speakers and the like—are engaged, among them being George M. Rimmel, the animal husbandman of the department of agriculture and a member of the State fair, the Hon. Andrew Elliot of Guelph, Ont., a veteran farmers' institute worker over all Canada and the United States, the Hon. W. F. McSparran of Pennsylvania, whose addresses were so well received last year, Mrs. J. F. Adams of Massachusetts, and many others.

All sessions are free to men and women alike. Over 60 attended last year. Owing to the prolonged illness of the head of the department of home economics, last year's successful work in this line for farmers' wives cannot be repeated this year, but doubtless will be hereafter a regular feature.

Reduced rates are offered on all railroads on account of carnival week in Burlington.

The University of Vermont also co-operates with the two secondary schools of agriculture at Lyndon Center and Randolph Center, and with the State commissioner of agriculture in the conduct of two farmers' weeks at these two schools respectively on February 12-14 and February 14-16. For programs of the Burlington farmers' week, February 19-23, apply to J. L. Hills, dean of the college of agriculture, Burlington, Vt., for programs of the Lyndon Center week, apply to Director A. R. Merrill, Lyndon Center, Vt., and for the Randolph Center week, apply to Principal G. L. Green, Randolph Center, Vt.

The complete program of the week follows:

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

7 p. m.—The Diagnosis of Soil Needs. Professor Hills.  
8 p. m.—Soiling Crops. Prof. Borland.  
9 p. m.—Good Seed, Seed Testing. Mr. Helyar.  
8 p. m.—Forest Fire Protection. State Forester Hawes.  
9 p. m.—The Grand Canyon of Arizona (Illustrated). Professor Hills.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

THE